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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of	)	
Leonard Borgstrom et al	)	Examiner: C. E. Cooley
for CENTRIFUGAL SEPARATOR	)	Group Art Unit: 1723
	)	Confirmation No. 8919
Serial No.: 10/506,757	)	
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**  
**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is submitted in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of February 15, 2006 and a statutory period for response that is set to expire on May 15, 2006. The Office Action is a final rejection of Claims 10-13 and 16-18.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of amendments presented herein and reconsideration of the outstanding rejections in view of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.